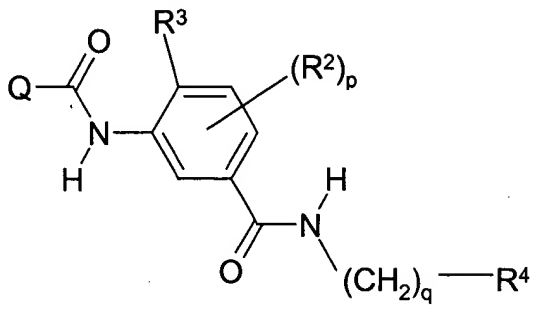
IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 **(currently amended)**: An amide derivative of the Formula I



I

wherein

R^3 is (1-6C)alkyl or halogeno;

Q is phenyl or naphthyl which optionally bears 1, 2, 3 or 4 substituents selected from hydroxy, halogeno, trifluoromethyl, cyano, mercapto, nitro, amino, carboxy, carbamoyl, formyl, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl, (2-6C)alkynyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-3C)alkylenedioxy, (1-6C)alkylthio, (1-6C)alkylsulphinyl, (1-6C)alkylsulphonyl, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyloxy, (1-6C)alkanoylamino, N-(1-6C)alkylsulphamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]sulphamoyl, (1-6C)alkanesulphonylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkanesulphonylamino, halogeno-(1-6C)alkyl, hydroxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy-(1-6C)alkyl, cyano-(1-6C)alkyl, amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(1-6C)alkyl, carboxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkyl, carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkyl, halogeno-(2-6C)alkoxy, hydroxy-(2-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkoxy, cyano-(1-6C)alkoxy, carboxy-(1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, amino-(2-6C)alkoxy,

(1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkoxy, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkoxy, halogeno-(2-6C)alkylamino, hydroxy-(2-6C)alkylamino, (1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkylamino, cyano-(1-6C)alkylamino, carboxy-(1-6C)alkylamino, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, (1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-halogeno-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-hydroxy-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-cyano-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-carboxy-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, halogeno-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, hydroxy-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, (1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, cyano-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, carboxy-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, carbamoyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, amino-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, (1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, aryl, aryl-(1-6C)alkyl, aryl-(1-6C)alkoxy, aryloxy, arylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-arylamino, aryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-aryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, aroylamino, arylsulphonylamino, N-arylsulphamoyl, aryl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, heteroaryl, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkyl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkoxy, heteroarylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heteroarylamino, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, heteroarylcarbonylamino, heteroarylsulphonylamino, N-heteroarylsulphamoyl, heteroaryl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, heterocyclyl, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkyl, heterocyclyloxy,

heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, heterocyclylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heterocyclylamino, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, heterocyclylcarbonylamino, heterocyclylsulphonylamino, N-heterocyclylsulphamoyl and heterocyclyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino,

and wherein any of the substituents on Q defined hereinbefore which comprise a CH_2 group which is attached to 2 carbon atoms or a CH_3 group which is attached to a carbon atom may optionally bear on each said CH_2 or CH_3 group a substituent selected from hydroxy, amino, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino and heterocyclyl;

and wherein any aryl, heteroaryl or heterocyclyl group in a substituent on Q may optionally bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from hydroxy, halogeno, (1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, carboxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyl, amino, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino, halogeno-(1-6C)alkyl, hydroxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy-(1-6C)alkyl, cyano-(1-6C)alkyl, amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(1-6C)alkyl, aryl and aryl-(1-6C)alkyl;

R^2 is hydroxy, halogeno, trifluoromethyl, cyano, mercapto, nitro, amino, carboxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl, (2-6C)alkynyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino or di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino;

p is 0, 1 or 2;

q is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4; and

R^4 is aryl, aryl-(1-6C)alkoxy, aryloxy, N-(1-6C)alkyl-arylamino, aryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-aryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, aroylamino, arylsulphonylamino, N-arylsulphamoyl, aryl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, cycloalkyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkoxy, heteroarylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heteroarylamino, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, heteroarylcarbonylamino, heteroarylsulphonylamino, N-heteroarylsulphamoyl, heteroaryl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, heterocyclyl, heterocyclyloxy, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkoxy,

heterocyclylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heterocyclylamino, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, heterocyclylcarbonylamino, heterocyclylsulphonylamino, N-heterocyclylsulphamoyl or heterocyclyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino and R^4 optionally bears 1, 2, 3 or 4 substituents selected from

hydroxy, halogeno, trifluoromethyl, cyano, mercapto, nitro, amino, carboxy, carbamoyl, formyl, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl, (2-6C)alkynyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-3C)alkylenedioxy, (1-6C)alkylthio, (1-6C)alkylsulphinyl, (1-6C)alkylsulphonyl, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyloxy, (1-6C)alkanoylamino, N-(1-6C)alkylsulphamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]sulphamoyl, (1-6C)alkanesulphonylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkanesulphonylamino, halogeno-(1-6C)alkyl, hydroxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy-(1-6C)alkyl, cyano-(1-6C)alkyl, amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(1-6C)alkyl, carboxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkyl, carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkyl, halogeno-(2-6C)alkoxy, hydroxy-(2-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkoxy, cyano-(1-6C)alkoxy, carboxy-(1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, amino-(2-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkoxy, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkoxy, halogeno-(2-6C)alkylamino, hydroxy-(2-6C)alkylamino, (1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkylamino, cyano-(1-6C)alkylamino, carboxy-(1-6C)alkylamino, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, (1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-halogeno-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-hydroxy-

(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-cyano-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-carboxy-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkylamino, halogeno-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, hydroxy-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, (1-6C)alkoxy-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, cyano-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, carboxy-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, carbamoyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, amino-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, (1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, aryl, aryl-(1-6C)alkyl, aryl-(1-6C)alkoxy, aryloxy, arylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-arylamino, aryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-aryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, aroylamino, arylsulphonylamino, N-arylsulphamoyl, aryl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, heteroaryl, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkyl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkoxy, heteroarylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heteroarylamino, heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heteroaryl-(1-6C)alkylamino, heteroarylcarbonylamino, heteroarylsulphonylamino, N-heteroarylsulphamoyl, heteroaryl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, heterocyclyl, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkyl, heterocyclyloxy, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, heterocyclylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heterocyclylamino, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, heterocyclylcarbonylamino, eterocyclylsulphonylamino, N-heterocyclylsulphamoyl and heterocyclyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino,

and wherein any of the substituents on R^4 defined hereinbefore which comprise a CH_2 group which is attached to 2 carbon atoms or a CH_3 group which is attached to a carbon atom may optionally bear on each said CH_2 or CH_3 group a substituent

selected from hydroxy, amino, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino and heterocyclyl;

and wherein any aryl, heteroaryl or heterocyclyl group in a substituent on R^4 may optionally bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from hydroxy, halogeno, (1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, carboxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyl, amino, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino, halogeno-(1-6C)alkyl, hydroxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy-(1-6C)alkyl, cyano-(1-6C)alkyl, amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(1-6C)alkyl, aryl and aryl-(1-6C)alkyl;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable ester thereof selected from the group consisting of (1-6C)alkoxymethyl esters, (1-6C)alkanoyloxymethyl esters, phthalidyl esters, (3-8C)cycloalkoxycarbonyloxy(1-6C)alkyl esters, 1,3-dioxolan-2-ylmethyl esters and (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyloxyethyl esters ~~in vivo cleavable ester thereof formed on an available carboxy or hydroxy group~~;

except that the compounds :-

N-(2-cyclohexylethyl)-3-(4-hydroxybenzamido)-4-methylbenzamide,

3-(4-aminobenzamido)-N-(4-carboxy-3-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzamide,

N-(4-carboxy-3-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-3-(4-nitrobenzamido)benzamide,

3-(4-aminobenzamido)-4-methyl-N-(2-pyridyl)benzamide,

4-methyl-3-(4-nitrobenzamido)-N-(2-pyridyl)benzamide,

3-(4-aminobenzamido)-4-methyl-N-(2-thiazolyl)benzamide,

4-methyl-3-(4-nitrobenzamido)-N-(2-thiazolyl)benzamide,

3-benzamido-4-chloro-N-(2-fluoroanilino)benzamide,

3-(2-hydroxy-4-methylbenzamido)-N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzamide,

3-(3-hydroxy-2-naphthoylamino)-4-methyl-N-phenylbenzamide and

4-chloro-3-(3-hydroxy-2-naphthoylamino)-2-methyl-N-phenylbenzamide are excluded.

Claim 2 **(currently amended)**: An amide derivative of the Formula I according to claim 1 wherein

R^3 is methyl, ethyl, chloro or bromo;

Q is phenyl which bears 1, 2 or 3 substituents selected from hydroxy, fluoro, chloro, trifluoromethyl, cyano, carboxy, methyl, ethyl, propyl, methoxy, ethoxy, methylenedioxy, methoxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, tert-butoxycarbonyl, acetyl, propionyl, chloromethyl, methoxymethyl, methylaminomethyl, ethylaminomethyl, dimethylaminomethyl, diethylaminomethyl, 2-chloroethoxy, 3-chloropropoxy, 2-hydroxyethoxy, 3-hydroxypropoxy, 2-methoxyethoxy, 2-ethoxyethoxy, 3-methoxypropoxy, 3-ethoxypropoxy, cyanomethoxy, carboxymethoxy, methoxycarbonylmethoxy, ethoxycarbonylmethoxy, tert-butoxycarbonylmethoxy, 2-aminoethoxy, 3-aminopropoxy, 2-methylaminoethoxy, 2-ethylaminoethoxy, 3-methylaminopropoxy, 3-ethylaminopropoxy, 2-dimethylaminoethoxy, 2-diethylaminoethoxy, 3-dimethylaminopropoxy, 3-diethylaminopropoxy, 2-pyridylmethoxy, 2-(imidazol-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(imidazol-1-yl)propoxy, pyrrolidin-1-yl, piperidino, morpholino, piperazin-1-yl, 4-methylpiperazin-1-yl, 4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl, pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl, piperidinomethyl, morpholinomethyl, piperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-methylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-acetylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl, piperidin-4-yloxy, 1-methylpiperidin-4-yloxy, 2-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)propoxy, 2-piperidinoethoxy, 3-piperidinopropoxy, 2-morpholinoethoxy, 3-morpholinopropoxy, 2-piperazin-1-ylethoxy, 3-piperazin-1-ylpropoxy, 2-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)propoxy, 2-(4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl)ethoxy and 3-(4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl)propoxy;

p is 0;

q is 0; and

R^4 is phenyl which bears 1 or 2 substituents selected from hydroxy, fluoro, chloro, trifluoromethyl, cyano, amino, methyl, ethyl, methoxy, ethoxy, methylenedioxy, methylamino, ethylamino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, acetyl, propionyl,

chloromethyl, methoxymethyl, 2-methoxyethyl, methylaminomethyl, ethylaminomethyl, dimethylaminomethyl, diethylaminomethyl, 2-chloroethoxy, 3-chloropropoxy, 2-hydroxyethoxy, 3-hydroxypropoxy, 2-methoxyethoxy, 2-ethoxyethoxy, 3-methoxypropoxy, 3-ethoxypropoxy, cyanomethoxy, carboxymethoxy, methoxycarbonylmethoxy, ethoxycarbonylmethoxy, tert-butoxycarbonylmethoxy, 2-aminoethoxy, 3-aminopropoxy, 2-methylaminoethoxy, 2-ethylaminoethoxy, 3-methylaminopropoxy, 3-ethylaminopropoxy, 2-dimethylaminoethoxy, 2-diethylaminoethoxy, 3-dimethylaminopropoxy, 3-diethylaminopropoxy, 2-chloroethylamino, 2-hydroxyethylamino, 2-methoxyethylamino, 2-ethoxyethylamino, 2-aminoethylamino, 2-methylaminoethylamino, 2-ethylaminoethylamino, 2-dimethylaminoethylamino, 2-diethylaminoethylamino, N-(2-chloroethyl)-N-methylamino, N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-N-methylamino, N-(2-methoxyethyl)-N-methylamino, N-(2-ethoxyethyl)-N-methylamino, N-(2-aminoethyl)-N-methylamino, N-(2-methylaminoethyl)-N-methylamino, N-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-N-methylamino, N-(3-aminopropyl)-N-methylamino, N-(3-methylaminopropyl)-N-methylamino, N-(3-ethylaminopropyl)-N-methylamino, N-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-N-methylamino, N-(3-diethylaminopropyl)-N-methylamino, phenyl, benzyl, benzyloxy, 2-pyridylmethoxy, 2-(imidazol-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(imidazol-1-yl)propoxy, pyrrolidin-1-yl, piperidino, morpholino, piperazin-1-yl, 4-methylpiperazin-1-yl, 4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl, pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl, piperidinomethyl, morpholinomethyl, piperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-methylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-acetylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl, piperidin-4-yloxy, 1-methylpiperidin-4-yloxy, 2-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)propoxy, 2-piperidinoethoxy, 3-piperidinopropoxy, 2-morpholinoethoxy, 3-morpholinopropoxy, 2-piperazin-1-ylethoxy, 3-piperazin-1-ylpropoxy, 2-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)propoxy, 2-(4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl)ethoxy and 3-(4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl)propoxy;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ester thereof;

except that 3-(2-hydroxy-4-methylbenzamido)-N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzamide is excluded.

Claim 3 **(currently amended)**: An amide derivative of the Formula I according to claim 1 wherein

R^3 is methyl or chloro;

Q is phenyl which bears 1, 2 or 3 substituents selected from hydroxy, cyano, carboxy, methyl, ethyl, propyl, methoxy, ethoxy, acetyl and 2-methoxyethoxy;

p is 0;

q is 0; and

R^4 is phenyl which bears 1 or 2 substituents selected from chloro, cyano and dimethylamino;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ester thereof.

Claim 4 **(cancelled)**.

Claim 5 **(original)**: An amide derivative of the Formula I according to claim 1 wherein Q is substituted by a basic substituent selected from the substituents for Q defined in claim 1 and R^4 is a phenyl or heteroaryl group as defined in claim 1 which also bears a basic substituent selected from the substituents for R^4 defined in claim 1.

Claim 6 **(currently amended)**: An amide derivative of the Formula I according to claim 1 wherein

R^3 is methyl or chloro;

Q is phenyl which bears a substituent selected from dimethylaminomethyl, diethylaminomethyl, N-butyl-N-methylaminomethyl, 2-dimethylaminoethoxy, 2-diethylaminoethoxy, 2-diisopropylaminoethoxy, 3-dimethylaminopropoxy, 3-diethylaminopropoxy, 3-diisopropylaminopropoxy, pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl, 3-hydroxypyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl, morpholinomethyl, piperidinomethyl, homopiperidinomethyl, piperazin-1-ylmethyl, homopiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-

methylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-methylhomopiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-ethylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-ethylhomopiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-isopropylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl, 4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-1-ylmethyl, 2-pyridylmethoxy, pyrrolidin-3-yloxy, 1-methylpyrrolidin-3-yloxy, piperidin-3-yloxy, 1-methylpiperidin-3-yloxy, homopiperidin-3-yloxy, 1-methylhomopiperidin-3-yloxy, piperidin-4-yloxy, 1-methylpiperidin-4-yloxy, homopiperidin-4-yloxy, 1-methylhomopiperidin-4-yloxy, pyrrolidin-3-ylmethoxy, 1-methylpyrrolidin-3-ylmethoxy, piperidin-3-ylmethoxy, 1-methylpiperidin-3-ylmethoxy, homopiperidin-3-ylmethoxy, 1-methylhomopiperidin-3-ylmethoxy, piperidin-4-ylmethoxy, 1-methylpiperidin-4-ylmethoxy, homopiperidin-4-ylmethoxy, 1-methylhomopiperidin-4-ylmethoxy, 2-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)propoxy, 2-(N-methylpyrrolidin-2-yl)ethoxy, 3-(N-methylpyrrolidin-2-yl)propoxy, 2-piperidinoethoxy, 3-piperidinopropoxy, 2-morpholinoethoxy, 3-morpholinopropoxy, 2-piperazin-1-ylethoxy, 2-homopiperazin-1-ylethoxy, 3-piperazin-1-ylpropoxy, 3-homopiperazin-1-ylpropoxy, 2-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)ethoxy, 2-(4-methylhomopiperazin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)propoxy, 3-(4-methylhomopiperazin-1-yl)propoxy, 2-(4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl)propoxy, 2-methoxyethylaminomethyl, 3-methoxypropylaminomethyl, 2-aminoethylaminomethyl, 3-aminopropylaminomethyl, 3-dimethylamino-2,2-dimethylpropylaminomethyl, 2-methylaminoethylaminomethyl, 3-methylaminopropylaminomethyl, 2-dimethylaminoethylaminomethyl, 3-dimethylaminopropylaminomethyl, N-(2-methylaminoethyl)-N-methylaminomethyl, N-(3-methylaminopropyl)-N-methylaminomethyl, N-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-N-methylaminomethyl, N-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-N-methylaminomethyl and 3-morpholinopropylaminomethyl, and Q is optionally substituted with a further substituent selected from methyl and methoxy;

p is 0;

q is 0; and

R^4 is phenyl which is substituted at the 3-position with a substituent selected from

dimethylamino, diethylamino, pyrrolidin-1-yl, piperidino, morpholino, piperazin-1-yl, homopiperazin-1-yl, 4-methylpiperazin-1-yl and 4-methylhomopiperazin-1-yl and R^4 is optionally substituted with a further substituent selected from fluoro, chloro, cyano, methyl and trifluoromethyl;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ester thereof.

Claim 7 **(cancelled)**.

Claim 8 **(previously presented)**: An amide derivative of the Formula I according to claim 1 selected from :-

N-(3-dimethylaminophenyl)-4-methyl-3-(4-propylbenzamido)benzamide,

3-(3,4-dimethoxybenzamido)-N-(3-dimethylaminophenyl)-4-methylbenzamide,

3-(4-butoxybenzamido)-N-(3-dimethylaminophenyl)-4-methylbenzamide,

4-chloro-N-(3-dimethylaminophenyl)-3-(4-propylbenzamido)benzamide,

3-(4-carboxybenzamido)-N-(3-dimethylaminophenyl)-4-methylbenzamide,

N-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-3-(3,4,5-trimethoxybenzamido)-4-methylbenzamide,

N-(2-cyclohexylethyl)-3-(3,4-dimethoxybenzamido)-4-methylbenzamide,

4-methyl-N-(3-morpholinophenyl)-3-(3-piperidin-4-yloxybenzamido)benzamide,

4-chloro-N-(3-fluoro-5-morpholinophenyl)-3-[3-(1-methylhomopiperidin-4-yloxy)benzamido]benzamide,

3-(2-diisopropylaminoethoxybenzamido)-4-methyl-N-(3-morpholinophenyl)benzamide,

3-(4-diethylaminomethylbenzamido)-4-methyl-N-(3-morpholinophenyl)benzamide,

4-methyl-3-[3-(4-methylhomopiperazin-1-ylmethyl)benzamido]-N-(3-morpholinophenyl)-benzamide, and

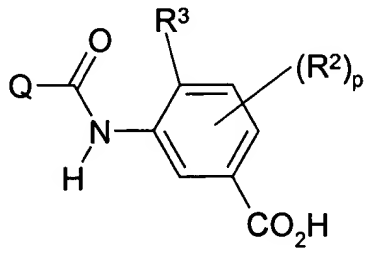
4-methyl-3-[3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl)benzamido]-N-(3-morpholinophenyl)-benzamide;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 9 **(currently amended)**: A process for the preparation of an amide derivative of the Formula I, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ~~*in vivo* cleavable~~

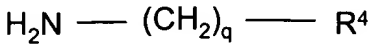
ester thereof ~~formed on an available carboxy or hydroxy group~~, according to claim 1 which comprises :-

(a) reacting a benzoic acid of the Formula II, or a reactive derivative thereof,



II

with an amine of the Formula III



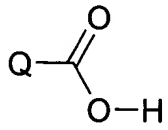
III

under standard amide bond forming conditions, wherein variable groups are as defined in claim 1 and wherein any functional group is protected if necessary, and:

(i) removing any protecting groups; and

(ii) optionally forming a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ~~*in vivo* cleavable~~ ester thereof ~~on an available carboxy or hydroxy group~~;

(b) reacting an acid of the Formula IV, or an activated derivative thereof,



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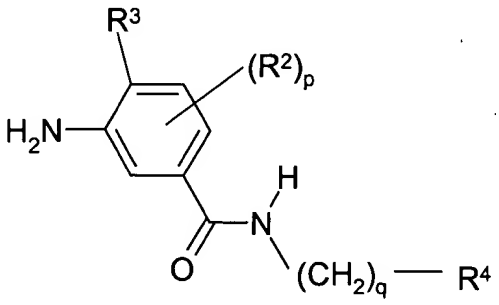
with an aniline of the Formula VI



VI

under standard amide bond forming conditions as defined hereinbefore, wherein variable groups are as defined in claim 1 and wherein any functional group is protected, if necessary, and:

(i) removing any protecting groups;

(ii) optionally forming a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ~~*in vivo* cleavable~~ ester thereof ~~on an available carboxy or hydroxy group~~;

(c) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is (1-6C)alkoxy or substituted (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylthio, (1-6C)alkylamino,
di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino or substituted (1-6C)alkylamino or heterocyclyloxy, the alkylation, conveniently in the presence of a suitable base, of an amide derivative of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is hydroxy, mercapto or amino as appropriate;

(d) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is (1-6C)alkanoylamino or substituted (2-6C)alkanoylamino, the acylation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is amino;

(e) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is (1-6C)alkanesulphonylamino, the reaction of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is amino with a (1-6C)alkanesulphonic acid, or an activated derivative thereof;

(f) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is carboxy, carboxy-(1-6C)alkyl, carboxy-(1-6C)alkoxy, carboxy-(1-6C)alkylamino,
N-(1-6C)alkyl-carboxy-(1-6C)alkylamino or carboxy-(2-6C)alkanoylamino, the cleavage of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(1-6C)alkylamino or (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl-(2-6C)alkanoylamino as appropriate;

(g) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is amino-(1-6C)alkyl, heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl,
di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(1-6C)alkyl, substituted (2-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl or

substituted N-(1-6C)alkyl-(2-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl, the reaction of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is a group of the formula -(1-6C)alkylene-Z wherein Z is a displaceable group with an appropriate amine or heterocyclyl compound;

(h) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is amino, heterocyclyl, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino, substituted (1-6C)alkylamino, substituted N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkylamino, substituted (2-6C)alkylamino or substituted N-(1-6C)alkyl-(2-6C)alkylamino, the reaction of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is a displaceable group Z with an appropriate amine or heterocyclyl compound;

(i) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is N-(1-6C)alkyl-(1-6C)alkanesulphonylamino, the alkylation, conveniently in the presence of a suitable base, of an amide derivative of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is (1-6C)alkanesulphonylamino;

(j) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is a hydroxy-heterocyclyl-(1-6C)alkoxy group, a hydroxy-(1-6C)alkylamino-(2-6C)alkoxy group or a hydroxy-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(2-6C)alkoxy group, the reaction of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q or R^4 is a epoxy-substituted (1-6C)alkoxy group with a heterocyclyl compound or an appropriate amine; or

(k) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein R^2 or a substituent on Q or R^4 is an amino group, the reduction of a compound of the Formula I wherein R^2 or a substituent on Q or R^4 is a nitro group.

Claim 10 **(currently amended)**: A pharmaceutical composition which comprises an amide derivative of the Formula I, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ~~*in vivo* cleavable~~ ester thereof ~~formed on an available carboxy or hydroxy group~~, according to claim 1 in association with a pharmaceutically-acceptable diluent or carrier.

Claims 11-18 **(cancelled)**.

Claim 19 **(currently amended):** ~~The~~ A method for the treatment of ~~claim 17 wherein said inflammatory disease or medical condition is~~ rheumatoid arthritis in a warm-blooded animal in need thereof comprising administering to said animal an effective amount of an amide derivative of the Formula I, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ester thereof, as defined in claim 1.

Claim 20 **(new):** A method for the treatment of psoriasis in a warm-blooded animal in need thereof comprising administering to said animal an effective amount of an amide derivative of the Formula I, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt or ester thereof, as defined in claim 1.